

## ROBERTS' DEMAND

His Seat—Pleads Guilty to All Charges Brought.

## HE DENOUNCES ONE GENTLE.

Witnesses May Be Brought All the Way From Utah to Washington, But Only Two Wives Can Testify.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—The trial of the public hearings in the Roberts case began at 2 o'clock. At that hour the committee room was crowded with members, representatives of the press, and a delegation representing the Gentle element of Utah. Roberts sat at the foot of the long committee table, with documents piled up before him. His secretary was nearest hand, bringing him books and other data of reference.

Chairman Taylor announced that persons who had participated in framing the charges were present, and he asked that they be heard.

A. T. Schroeder, one of the Gentle delegation from Utah, then stepped forward, when Mr. Roberts rose hastily and raised his hand in waving protest. "I object," he said, "I object to this witness if he comes here as an attorney. I object to him if he comes as a witness on the ground that he is unworthy of confidence. And I propose to establish by the records of the supreme court of Utah that he is utterly unworthy of belief."

Mr. Taylor answered that Mr. Schroeder was not present as a witness or as counsel, but merely to give the committee such information as he could, and the committee would treat the matter as it saw fit.

Mr. Schroeder remarked that he did not understand that he was on trial.

Mr. Roberts did not press his objection further, and Mr. Schroeder proceeded. He said it could be established that Mr. Roberts had maintained and is now maintaining the status of a polygamist; that in 1889 he pleaded guilty of the misdemeanor named, and has since that time continued in that relation. Specifically, Mr. Schroeder said it could be established that there had recently been born children to his polygamous wives, among them being twins born to Celia Dibble Roberts, the reputed second wife of the congressman-elect. These children were reported to be born, he said, August 11, 1897, and until this morning he had understood were acknowledged by Roberts as his. It could also be shown that he has been holding out Dr. Magruder Shipp Roberts as a wife, and is now maintaining the status of husband toward her; that during all of these times he had living a lawful wife, Louisa Smith Roberts, who also has borne him children.

Mr. Schroeder said the witnesses were in Utah, readily accessible if the committee desired to summon them. He suggested that Miss Adah Roberts, the daughter of Mr. Roberts, was now in the city and might be available as a witness.

Rev. Dr. Hilt, of Utah, was asked if he desired to add anything, but stated that Mr. Schroeder had covered the ground question sufficiently, and that the detailed evidence would be ready if the committee desired.

At this point Representative McPherson, of Iowa, a member of the committee, stated that he thought there was a misunderstanding among the members as to the status of Mr. Roberts. Some thought he had made his statement in order to frame an issue. Others thought he had appeared as a witness, and should be subject to cross-examination. He said the committee was gradually drifting to the point where it would have to go 2,500 miles to Utah to hear witnesses or else bring witnesses 2,500 miles to Washington.

Chairman Taylor stated that Roberts had not appeared as a witness and was not under oath.

Mr. Roberts said his statement was for the purpose of joining issue. He expected and desired a ruling on his demurrer, for he said he was not through with that. He stated, also, that as a witness he would hardly be expected to give evidence against himself. The public hearing then went over until Tuesday morning, at 10 o'clock, and the committee held a private session.

Mr. Taylor (Ohio) said after the executive session that the committee was considering whether it should go to

## THE FIRST BABY.

As Coming is Looked Forward to With Both Joy and Fear and its Safe Arrival is Hailed With Pride and Delight by All.

The arrival of the first baby in the household is the happiest and most important event of married life. The young wife who is to become a mother delights to think of the happiness in store for her when the little one shall nestle near her breast and later she shall hear it hiss the sweet and holy name, "mother." But her happy anticipation quickly vanishes when she realizes the terrible pain and suffering through which she must pass while bringing the little one into the world. An indescribable fear of the danger attendant upon the ordeal soon dissipates her joyfulness.

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Utah or have the witnesses come here, and that no decision had been reached. Mr. Schroeder, against whom Roberts made his protest, said after the meeting: "Mr. Roberts refers to a civil suit brought to set aside an execution sale made by the sheriff of Salt Lake county. I was the attorney for the judgment creditors, and at the sheriff's sale became the purchaser in my own name with the consent of my clients. It is a long story, but suffice it to say that Judge Bartish, now on the supreme bench, who tried the case, in rendering his oral decision, expressly exonerated me from all imputation of actual fraud. Mr. Roberts goes a long way to find means for distracting attention from himself, but the case is urgent, and, perhaps, I ought to consider him justified in going to many extremes."

It is understood that the opposition to Roberts has suggested that the wives with whom he is alleged to have maintained polygamous relations be summoned as witnesses. The first wife, it is said, would be exempt from testifying against her husband, as she has a legal status as wife, but this exemption would not extend beyond the first wife.

A sub-committee, consisting of Messrs. Morris, Littlefield and Miers, has been appointed to get up forms of subpoenas, etc., in connection with the summoning of witnesses.

This morning the hearing was not public. Mr. Roberts was first asked if he conceded the existence of the court record wherein he pleaded guilty in 1889 under the Edmunds-Tucker law. This he conceded. He was next asked whether or not since 1890 he had married plural wives and had lived with them since that time as wives. To the whole of this charge Roberts pleaded not guilty, and then demurred to the jurisdiction of the committee for three reasons—the jurisdiction of the committee to try him, the character of the papers and evidence and the evidence itself. He asked, therefore, that his prima facie right to his seat might be considered.

Mr. Roberts argued his point for nearly two hours, referring to law books and answering queries. It was a legal controversy throughout, the facts not being gone into at length.

## GEORGIE'S PA

Learns How to Doctor the Baby. Makes a Mess of It.

Chicago Times-Herald: The Baby Got the Colic. I Bet you it would be a graat hit if Sum collidge had it to Help hoop for the foot Ball team. Nite before last paw didn't hardly sleep a Wink and you could notus it on Him Easy the next morning by his talk.

"I Like to no," he says, "How the hed of a Famby Kin ern a Liven in the Day time if He Don't git no Rest at nite. Here I am payen fifteen dollars a Week for a nurse what Don't seam to no enny more about a Baby than me and Not Half as mutch Becos I had two Before this one. It's a blame swindol, all this traifed Nurse busness they go into in the alty. Look at our Muithers Out in the country. They didn't haft to have no Frills like these when the Famby was Gittin so Big they Had to Bld a naddishen onto the house every year er so. But you Got to Have a traifed nurse now er they won't Let you in Society enny more than if you Done your own house-work and Didn't go round tellin Folks it was Becos you advertised at times for a Hired Gurl and never got a nanser."

The nurse Told paw he wasn't fit to be a fawther, and he was agoin to Talk Back, only Little albert throwed a Tooth Brush at the pupp and necked a Hole thru one of the Windows, so they dropt the Subject.

After Breckfast ant Fanny come in, and when she Herd about the Baby bein sick she says:

"You must stop given it that kind of food rite away. When my little Florence was borned she had the same kind of Trubble, so I fed her condensed milk and she cum thru all rite."

Purty soon Mrs. Rawson and Mrs. Fond come in.

"My good nuss," Mrs. Rawson said when paw told Her about the Condensed milk; "Don't give her That. It would Kill the Poor little Thing. I always Bring my Babies up on Stumley's oles water, and They never Give me a Bit of trubble."

"I wouldn't Dare to give no child of mine that kind of stuff," Mrs. Fond told paw. "You mife as well feed it Green Cucumbers and Be Done with it. They ain't nothing like maltd milk for a Baby with the Colick, an' if this nurse Had enny sents she would of knowed it at the start."

They was about a Half a Dozen other Ladies come while paw was Thinken about it to tell Him what of to Be Done, and neerly all of them sed they Had the Best docter on erth and paw of to change Before it was too Late or we wouldnt Have no luck with the Child.

After they all Got thru paw went to the Basket where the Baby was Sleepin as peaceful as a Lam, and looked at it a Long time, and then He went out in the Hall and got little albert's drum an Begin to pound on it and Jump up and Down and Sing Git your munny's Wurrh.

Purty soon After that the Doctker come and Him and the Nurse sneaked up Behind and the Furst thing paw new the Doctker was Holdin his arms fast to His sides and tryin to push Him into a closet where they wanted to Lock Him up.

"Here, confound it," paw Hollarred, "what are you tryin to Do?"

"Be Cam," the Doctker told Him. "We are your Friends. We are Goin to partectk you. It's all rite."

"No it ain't," paw Hollarred. "You may think it is, But I ain't payen You three dollars a Visit to Come Here and Try to play Horse with me."

By that Time the Doctker seen paw wasn't Crazy so he let go and ast what he ment by makin such a Racket.

"I was tryin to Keep the Baby awake in the Day time so it would Give a purson a Chanet to sleep a Little at Nite," paw told Him.

"Then I Take it all Back," the Doctker sed. "I that the Wimmim what are alwais Commen in and Tellen what to Do with the Babies was the Worst fools on Erth. But they ain't."

GEORGIE.

## WHEELING-UNIONTOWN

Railroad Scheme That Appears to be on in Earnest—Greene County People Subscribing—Jutte, of Pittsburgh, Interested.

For some weeks Mr. F. Protzman, formerly editor of the Pittsburgh Iron Age, has been working very industriously to put on foot the building of a railroad from Uniontown to Wheeling, says the Waynesburg Independent. This fact has been known to a number of Greene countians whom he took into his confidence, but have kept it quiet until the proper time came to give the plan to the public. Mr. Protzman has interested capitalists in the enterprise, among whom is W. C. Jutte, a wealthy coal operator of Pittsburgh. Mr. Jutte has visited Waynesburg and other points on the proposed road to investigate, as a practical and cautious man, for himself. He has that faith in the road as a good financial venture as to take a million dollars of the capital stock of the road. For business reasons an engineering corps has been quietly at work on the eastern end of the line and has located the road from Uniontown to the mouth of Brown's run, on the Monongahela river, where it is expected to cross. The engineers arrived at Waynesburg Wednesday.

It is known as the Uniontown, Waynesburg & West Virginia railroad, and the maps made of it show it will pass a little south of Carmichaels, follow the Muddy Creek valley, touch Ten Mile at Morrisville, on to Rogersville, Bristoria, Ryerson's Station, Crows Mills, thence to Wheeling, where it will enter the city over the Terminal.

The people of Greene county are asked and expected to subscribe \$350,000 to the capital stock of the road, and three brothers have signified their intention of taking \$25,000 stock. The people of Greene county were never situated better financially than they are now; this amount should be secured with ease in the next thirty days. Farmers who desire to put their coal in as stock can do so and it will count the same as cash. That such a road is logical, all will admit, and it is a waste of time to argue that it will pay, etc., or hold up the advantages and developments that will follow, are too well known to be rehearsed. It looks as though this is Greene county's opportunity to secure the long desired road, and it is ours if every one will do his part.

Several caucuses have been held, and at a meeting at the office of J. A. F. Randolph, Senator Walton was elected president, and John F. Pauley, of the Messenger, secretary. Mr. Protzman explained in detail the work of the road and its possibilities. He said the company was already organized and men of financial standing are back of it. The cost of construction, equipment, will reach \$4,500,000. He gave other facts which we will give hereafter.

Forty thousand subscribed. The books were opened and Senator Walton was given a round of applause when he said he would take \$10,000 stock, and from his investigation of the matter it would make him money. Judge Crawford took \$5,000, and the Bailey Brothers, of Carmichaels, \$25,000.

An executive committee, consisting of Senator Walton, Dr. Ullom, T. J. Wisecarver, C. H. Bowley, Judge Dickey, A. I. Cooke and Judge Crawford, was appointed with full power to solicit stock, appoint sub-committees, call meetings, and do whatever they may deem essential in the promotion of the enterprise. A public meeting will be held in the very near future. Let everybody go to work and do all they can to secure the road.

Mr. Protzman said in the course of his remarks that manufacturing plants the capital of which will aggregate \$3,000,000, have already been secured to locate in Greene county in the event of this road, and will be along the valley from Carmichaels to Rogersville.

## CRYING FOR HELP.

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## SCHOOL MELANGE.

Next to the parent the teacher is the best friend the pupil has, but the pupil does not always think so; indeed, many pupils think that the teacher is their worst enemy and act on this very principle day after day. The writer was led to speak of this from one of his pupils making the assertion that his teacher did not use him right. She was always finding fault with him, etc. While this pupil felt this way there could be no real, genuine progress. There was no ground for the pupil thinking thus, but that did not remove the fact that he thought so. Where did this pupil get this idea? It must have come from one of three sources, i. e., the teacher must have given him cause to think so, which, as stated, was not the case; the parent must have caused him to think so, or he did not like the restraint of the schoolroom and made this an excuse. In this particular case the latter was no doubt the cause; but do we, as teachers, never give cause for our pupils to think we are not their friends? Do we not sometimes act as though we thought our pupils have no rights that should be respected? Do we always try to get the co-operation of the parent, or do we sometimes act in a manner to secure the very opposite? The parents, if parents in the true sense of the word, love their children as they do themselves, and will do all in their power for their good, if caused to see what is for their good. Is it not the teacher's duty to show the parent that what we do is for their children's good. Some teachers think so, but some act as though the parent had no right to even think that what is done in school may not be just what should be done. The true teacher seeks and secures the co-operation of the parent. The teacher, the parent and the pupil must be in perfect accord if the best results are to be secured. When will that happy time come in the history of our schools? This is a hard question to answer, but we venture the following as an answer. It will be when we have in our schools as teachers those who fully and truly realize what the mission of the teacher is, i. e., when we have those as teachers who are qualified for the work in every way, mentally, morally and physically, and along with these qualifications an aptitude to teach, together with a love for the work.

A very interesting meeting of the principals was held on Tuesday afternoon, all being present. At the previous meeting the principals were asked to keep an account of the number of requests sent by parents for their children to leave school before the session closed, and the report was as follows: Washington school, 255; Clay, 296; Madison, 480; Union, 122; Center, 166; Ritchie, 127; Lincoln, 46; high school, 74. This report is given without comment. It includes November 2 to December 7, or a little over one month. Parents who read it may find in it food for thought, especially those who sent the requests. Every pupil thus excused missed one or more lessons, and still parents wonder why their children fail to make the progress they wish them to make.

Has the parent the right to send for the child to come home before the regular session of school closes? In answering this question the writer asks another. Has the parent a right to do that which may prove a lasting injury to the child? The legal right of the parent to take the child from school is not questioned, but when the teacher knows that the child is being injured by being thus taken away what is the remedy? Must the teacher refuse to let the child go, and thus incur the displeasure of both parent and pupil? Not at all, but let the teacher in a proper spirit see the parent and in nearly every instance it will have the desired effect. If the child must come home or be kept at home entirely, then the true teacher will make the best of it, but if as in the great majority of cases, there is not an absolute necessity for the child's coming home, and the parent can be made to see that it is an injury to the child to miss school, there will be no difficulty in arranging everything to the perfect satisfaction of all concerned. Try it, teacher.

The writer has received the following card, which may be of interest to Wheeling teachers:

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., December 5, 1899.

DEAR SIR:—The next meeting of the Monongahela Valley Round Table for teachers, will convene at Mannington, W. Va., January 19 and 20, 1900. You are earnestly requested to send or accompany postal, by December 22, a list of subjects for discussion at this meeting, together with any suggestions for the good of the Table that may occur to you. Arrange to attend the Mannington meeting, if possible. Fifty-one persons, representing every department of the educational work of the state, were present at the Fairmont meeting, December 1 and 2.

Respectfully yours,

S. H. BOWMAN, Secretary.

The writer was at the first meeting of this organization at Morgantown, and from the character of those at the head of the movement, it cannot fail to be a great help to those attending. How would it be to have a delegation of teachers go from Wheeling?

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